# Juan Baustista de Anza National Historic Trail Repairs

### Need

The Juan Bautista de Anza National Historic Trail encompasses 1,200 miles of land, originating at the Arizona border and continuing through California to San Francisco. Within Arizona, 301 miles of the trail meander through multiple jurisdictions. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) Phoenix District Office will use American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funding to restore and repair sections of the trail. The project will develop and install touring options, including visitor welcome areas, delineated parking and staging areas, motor touring facilities and signage; craft and set up interpretive materials (signs, broadcast and handouts); and conduct restoration and protection efforts for the trail's historic landscape, damaged by inappropriate public use. Contractors will repair and reconstruct up to13-miles of trails. The BLM has scheduled work to begin sometime in November, 2009, with completion



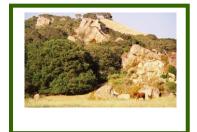
expected by May, 2011. The trail and restoration work consists of removing berms, shoring upslope or downslope bank erosion, repairing/replacing all signs, restoring damaged soils, removing illegal roads, vertical soil mulching, and transplantation of native plants into damaged areas.

## **Recovery Act Funding**

The BLM-Arizona has awarded a contract for trail repair to the Student Conservation Association, a non-profit organization that provides young adults with opportunities to participate on conservation-based work projects. Information about other contracts for this BLM-Arizona ARRA project will be released after they have been awarded. Youth organizations are encouraged to make proposals.

### **Benefits**

The Anza ARRA Project will restore and preserve treasured landscapes and create jobs for youth in the outdoors that will provide educational and economic opportunities to young people. All restoration and repair work on the trail and associated landscapes will be performed by young adult crews, typically through organizations that mentor the disadvantaged.



### More Information

For more information on this BLM ARRA project, contact Cheryl Blanchard at the Lower Sonoran Field Office at 623-580-5500.